



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

ASHIDA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/557,775 ✓

Filed: April 25, 2000 ✓

Title: INK-JET RECORDING SHEET ✓

Group Art Unit: 1774 ✓

Examiner: Nguyen, K. ✓

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January 28, 2003

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002, please amend the
subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claim 17 as follows:

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- Claim 17. The ink-jet recording sheet according to claim 12, wherein the
nitrate, the sulfite, the bisulfite, the phosphite or the thiosulfate is a salt of an alkali
metal or ammonium. -

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REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully
requested.

Claim 17 has been added as shown above, as supported in the present
specification, including at page 15, lines 4-7. No new matter has been added.